

**TIPPECANOE COUNTY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 13, 2001**

The Tippecanoe County Council held a special meeting at 1:15 P.M. and its regular meeting on Tuesday, November 13, 2001 at 2:00 P.M. in the Tippecanoe Room in the County Office Building. Council members present were: Vice President Connie Basham, Jeffrey Kessler, Jeffrey A. Kemper, Kathy Vernon, and Ronald L. Fruitt; Auditor Robert A. Plantenga, Attorney David W. Luhman, and Secretary Pauline E. Rohr.

Vice President Basham called the special meeting to order and welcomed West Lafayette Mayor Sonya Margerum. Mayor Margerum presented updates on current projects in West Lafayette.

CAPITAL PROJECTS

Wabash Landing

- ♦ Adds to the County's assessed value and enhances downtown Lafayette. Borders Bookstore will be coming in 2002 and the Hilton Garden Inn will be complete in early 2003.
- ♦ The ice skating rink should be open for county-wide use next year. They are hoping to receive Build Indiana Funding.
- ♦ The parking garage will offer two to three hour free parking for store patrons. Charges will begin when the hotel opens. They want to prevent students from parking free and taking a shuttle to campus. Located in a TIF District, they are in the process of refinancing the bonds.

Law Enforcement Agencies

- ♦ Continue close cooperation and initiate central dispatch at the County level. Commissioner Knochel interjected that the County may purchase a vacant warehouse across from the Jail to house central dispatch.
- ♦ The new West Lafayette Police Department is under construction west of City Hall.
- ♦ Emergency Management (TEMA) is a coordinating agency that does a good job of reassuring the public.

Juvenile Facility

- ♦ Need for a juvenile detention facility as well as a de-tox center for those who want to help themselves.

231 Project

- ♦ Continue community support for completion of western leg from S River Rd. to SR 26 W of the \$20 million INDOT project in 2003.
- ♦ Urge the State to complete the EIS Study (environmental) and finalize the route from SR 26 W to US 52.
- ♦ Continue request for APC to conduct a Land Use Study that includes Wabash Township to the area west of West Lafayette.

PLANNING

- ♦ Continue Vision 2020 recommendations; priorities for each jurisdiction.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- ♦ New phase of Purdue Research Park will be on 40 acres. West Lafayette will provide the infrastructure using TIF Funds. They will bid next year to issue bonds to finance the entire project. They hope the expansion will be a marketing tool to draw other hi tech companies to the area.
- ♦ The Chamber of Commerce is spearheading telecommunications.
- ♦ Implement a Red Carpet Committee to serve as a Hospitality Committee for visiting officials. Councilmember Kemper suggested asking the Convention and Visitors Bureau to fill this role.

➔ Councilmember Margaret K. Bell entered the meeting.

FUNDING

Meet with Legislators to discuss priority funding for area projects.
Urge additional Area Plan staff.

PARKS

The Celery Bog/Nature Center is a good cooperative arrangement with the County Parks Department.
Continue Wabash River development.
Add to total Greenway Trails system. Purdue Research Park is willing to give land for trails in that area.

HOUSING

Concerned that approximately one half of West Lafayette's housing is being lost due to purchase by parents for children's housing while on campus.

COMBINING GOVERNMENTS

There are already cooperative efforts. The Mayor urged the implementation of central dispatch and discussions regarding the combining of the three school corporations.

➔ Councilmember David S. Byers entered the meeting and apologized to Mayor Margerum for missing her presentation due to a personal emergency.

RECESSED

The meeting recessed at 1:45 P.M. until 2:00 P.M.

RECONVEDED

President Byers reconvened the meeting at 2:00 P.M. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. He then called upon West Lafayette Mayor Sonya Margerum to offer a prayer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Councilmember Fruitt moved to approve the September 11, 2001 minutes as distributed, seconded by Councilmember Kessler; motion carried.
- Councilmember Basham moved to approve the minutes of the October 4, 2001 Regular Meeting as distributed, seconded by Councilmember Vernon; motion carried.
- Councilmember Kemper moved to approve the minutes of the October 15, 2001 Joint Executive Meeting with the Commissioners, seconded by Councilmember Bell; motion carried.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT: Auditor Robert Plantenga

Auditor Plantenga reported the 2001 uncommitted County General Funds through October 31, 2001 are \$445,157.86. He noted that 96% of the total projected Miscellaneous Revenue has been collected through ten (10) months. The goal is to carry over a cash balance into 2002 of approximately \$2 million.

SUBARU ISUZU (SIA): Statement of Benefits (SB-1)

SIA General Counsel Tom Easterday explained that this Statement of Benefits relates to Phase I of the Engine Plant and the STX Outback/Pickup Truck. The Engine Plant will start assembly in January 2002 and begin full assembly operation in April 2002. The abatement for the STX equipment is for robots, especially in the Paint Shop. Pilot production of the STX is scheduled for June 2002 and the launch and production are scheduled for August 2002. Mr. Easterday said equipment cost of \$74,366 and real estate cost of \$6,560,000 will add \$32 million to the property tax base. Mr. Easterday pointed out that SIA has not laid off any full time employees even with heavy competition and the economic downturn in the Isuzu SUV market. Councilmember Kessler said SIA is an excellent corporate partner in the community and cited contributions to Ivy Tech and the Lafayette Parks Department as examples. He thinks the community is appreciative that SIA is rotating full time employees to prevent lay-offs.

Auditor Plantenga pointed out that supplemental information to the Statement of Benefits was received in the Auditor’s Office just prior to today’s meeting. Mr. Easterday responded that, instead of the 80 new hires stated on the SB-1, no new hires are anticipated in 2002 due to the economic outlook at the end of October.

- Councilmember Kessler moved to approve the Statement of Benefits for Subaru- Isuzu Automotive, seconded by Councilmember Kemper; motion carried.

INTEREST STATEMENT: Treasurer Oneta Tolle

Treasurer Tolle distributed the Interest Report that showed the average interest rate of 3.17% for September 2001.

VILLA (Tabled 10/4/2001)

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION: \$13,000.00
13,000.00 Water & Sewage

After talking with Villa Director Terrie Hively as well as attorneys for American Suburban Utilities and the County, Councilmember Kemper reported that the Water & Sewage rate will be adjusted to the former rate until the matter is resolved. He hopes a resolution will be reached by the December meeting.

- Councilmember Kessler moved to take the request from the table, seconded by Councilmember Fruitt; motion carried.

As various options were discussed, Auditor Plantenga pointed out that the Council cannot approve the funding in December because there will not be enough time to receive State approval before the end of the year. Attorney Luhman said Mrs. Hively can request an Additional Appropriation in January because she will have thirty (30) days to pay the bill. When asked if Mrs. Hively could encumber 2001 funds to pays the bill in 2002, Auditor Plantenga explained that the amount of Unappropriated Funds in 2002 is unknown at this time and 2001 funds cannot be encumbered without a bill. Councilmember Kemper said if the former rate is restored, the County may have overpaid.

- The request died for lack of action.

SUPERIOR COURT V: Bailiff Jean Ensinger

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION: \$12,958.00
7,500.00 Pauper Attorney
3,500.00 Part-time
1,500.00 Overtime
383.00 Social Security
75.00 Retirement

Mrs. Ensinger reduced the Pauper Attorney request to \$3,000.00 and the Part-time request to \$2,000.00. The Social Security and Retirement requests were lowered accordingly.

- Councilmember Kessler moved to approve \$3,000.00 for Pauper Attorney, \$2,000.00 for Part-time, \$1,500.00 for Overtime, \$268.00 for Social Security, and \$72.00 for Retirement, seconded by Councilmember Basham; motion carried.

EXTENSION

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION: \$2,000.00
1,000.00 Grounds Maintenance
1,000.00 Building Maintenance

TRANSFER: \$2,600.00
From: 01-27-322200 Postage 2,600.00
To: 01-27-171600 Part-time 2,600.00

- Councilmember Vernon moved to approve Additional Appropriations of \$1,000.00 for Grounds Maintenance and \$1,000.00 for Building Maintenance, seconded by Councilmember Fruitt; motion carried.

- Councilmember Fruitt moved to approve the Transfer, seconded by Councilmember Kemper; motion carried.

PARKS

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION: \$1,400.00

1,400.00 Garage, Gasoline

- Councilmember Basham moved to an additional \$1,400.00 for Garage, Gasoline, seconded by Councilmember Bell; motion carried.

HIGHWAY: Local Road & Street Fund: Executive Director Mark Albers

REDUCTION OF APPROPRIATION: \$350,000.00

350,000.00 CR 375 W/400 W

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION: \$350,000.00

150,000.00 Roads

200,000.00 CR 950 E (800 S-900 S)

SALARY ORDINANCE	<u>Position</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Full Time	Sign Coordinator	1,410.54	38,126.00
	Garage Office Manager	1,123.67	25,201.00

Mr. Albers explained the request to reduce the appropriation for CR 375 W/400 W is because Culvert Funds were used to install two large culverts and they saved on paving because they worked with the contractor. The additional request for \$150,000.00 will be used to convert some roads from gravel to paved at an estimated cost of \$85,000.00 per mile. The additional \$200,000.00 will be used to re-establish CR 950 E to a usable road due to planned housing development.

- Councilmember Kessler moved to approve the Reduction of Appropriation for CR 375 W/400 W, seconded by Councilmember Kemper; motion carried.
- Councilmember Kessler moved to approve the Additional Appropriations of \$150,000.00 for Roads, and \$200,000.00 for CR 950 E, seconded by Councilmember Kemper; motion carried.
- Councilmember Kessler moved to approve the Salary Ordinance, seconded by Councilmember Basham; motion carried.

ANCILLARY: Christa Coffey

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION: \$3,250.00

3,250.00 Overtime

TRANSFERS: \$7,990.00

From:	01-53-323400	Pauper Transcripts	7,990.00
To:	01-53-182100	Social Security	765.00
	01-53-182200	Retirement	475.00
	01-53-171550	Overtime	6,750.00

Ms Coffey requested an additional \$3,250.00 for Overtime for the remainder of the year. She said income from transcripts totals \$23,816.26 so far in 2001.

- Councilmember Kemper moved to approve the Additional Appropriation of \$3,250.00 for Overtime, seconded by Councilmember Bell; motion carried.
- Councilmember Kemper moved to approve the Transfers, seconded by Councilmember Basham; motion carried.

SUPERIOR COURT: Christa Coffey

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION: \$11,500.00

8,000.00 Pauper Attorney
3,500.00 Evaluation Services

After introducing new Superior Court Bailiff Kelly Davis, Ms Coffey reported there is a balance of \$166.00 in Pauper Attorney but there are claims totaling \$8,360.00. She reduced the Evaluation Services request to \$1,500.00. She said there are claims totaling \$1,346.00 in the Central Law Library line item but she plans to transfer from this line to pay other outstanding claims.

- Councilmember Kemper moved to approve an additional \$8,000.00 for Pauper Attorney and \$1,500.00 for Evaluation Services, seconded by Councilmember Basham; motion carried.

HEALTH

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION: \$1,200.00

1,200.00 Travel & Training

TRANSFERS: \$1,850.00

From:	01-46-112140	Environmental Secretary	750.00
To:	01-46-222000	Environmental Supplies	225.00
	01-46-221400	Medical Supplies	525.00
From:	01-46-114440	Assistant Registrar II	1,100.00
To:	01-46-211000	Office Supplies	400.00
	01-46-321110	Attorney Fees	600.00
	01-46-311000	Travel & Training	100.00

Councilmember Basham explained that the additional \$1,200.00 requested for Travel & Training is to pay mileage.

- Councilmember Basham moved to approve the Additional Appropriation of \$1,200.00, seconded by Councilmember Bell; motion carried.
- Councilmember Basham moved to approve the Transfers, seconded by Councilmember Kessler; motion carried.

SHERIFF: Dave Murtaugh

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION: \$21,888.00

18,037.00 Courthouse Security Officers
1,380.00 Social Security
857.00 PERF
1,614.00 Health Insurance

SALARY ORDINANCE	<u>Position</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Full Time	Supervisor-CH Security	1,403.00/	
		1,489.42	33,932.00
	Asst. Super.-CH Security	1,329.08	3,988.00
	CH Security Officers (11)	1,066.17/	
		1,397.25	212,463.00

TRANSFERS: \$1,850.00

From:	01-05-112229	Cooks	2,000.00
	01-05-117000	Secretaries	2,000.00
	01-05-121440	Courthouse Security	5,000.00
	01-05-121480	Correction Officers	8,000.00
	01-05-121490	Transport Officers	6,000.00
	01-05-182100	Social Security	10,000.00
To:	01-05-325100	Utilities	33,000.00

Sheriff Murtaugh requested additional funds for a new Assistant Supervisor and four (4) additional Courthouse Security Officer positions for the remainder of 2001 to allow flexibility in scheduling breaks, lunches, vacations, sick leave, prisoner drop-off, and County Office Building coverage. Working staggered shifts, the Bailiffs are on duty at the Courthouse from 7:00 A.M. until 7:00 P.M. He is currently paying Overtime to off-duty Deputies to help. Sheriff Murtaugh said they average 1,400 people per day through the metal detectors. Although there is no way to predict the peak times, he said early mornings and after lunch are busiest. Responding to the suggestion to

close to one (1) door, the Sheriff said one door can't handle the traffic but two (2) doors works well.

President Byers observed that the County has already spent close to \$1 million for security measures and wondered when the spending will end. Sheriff Murtaugh responded that the panic alarms in offices were needed. He conceded that the cameras placed on the second floor may not have been necessary but said they help them know what is occurring in the Courthouse after hours.

Sheriff Murtaugh stated he doesn't anticipate asking for additional Security Officers next year unless the Commissioners decide to open more than two doors.

Although he understands the Sheriff considers the request for five (5) additional Security Officers a minimum request, Councilmember Kemper said he struggles with approving funding for all five at this time. He said he could support a new Assistant Supervisor and three (3) new Security Officer positions. Councilmember Vernon said she appreciates the Sheriff's work at the Courthouse and fully supports his request. Sheriff Murtaugh said if all the Security Officers are not needed in the future, he will move them to transporting prisoners. Councilmember Fruitt said he would rather pay Overtime to Deputies working at the Courthouse than at high school or college ball games.

- Councilmember Kessler moved to approve an additional \$21,888.00 for five (5) additional Courthouse Security Officers, seconded by Councilmember Bell; motion carried.
- Councilmember Kessler moved to approve the Salary Ordinance, seconded by Councilmember Vernon; motion carried with 1 no vote by Councilmember Kemper.
- Councilmember Kessler moved to approve the Transfers, seconded by Councilmember Bell; motion carried.

COUNTY ASSESSOR

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS: \$2,350.00

2,183.00 Part-time
167.00 Social Security

- Councilmember Fruitt moved to approve the additional \$2,350.00, seconded by Councilmember Vernon; motion carried.

PUBLIC DEFENDER

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION: \$50,000.00: County General Fund 01

50,000.00 Professional Services

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION: \$9,246.00: Public Defender Fee Fund 42

9,000.00 Professional Services
138.00 Social Security
108.00 Retirement

Auditor Plantenga explained that the Public Defender failed to request Social Security and Retirement for her Overtime request in Fund 42 at the September meeting. It was also explained that the high request for Professional Services is to pay expert witnesses that will be testifying in three (3) cases.

- Councilmember Kemper moved to approve the Additional Appropriations requested from General Fund 01 and Public Defender Fee Fund 42, seconded by Councilmember Bell; motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2001-49-CL: Endorse Amendment to EDIT Plan for Phase II Stormwater Plan

This Resolution adds additional funding for Construction and Reconstruction of General Drain Improvements: Phase II Stormwater Plan in the sum of \$100,000.00 in 2001.

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TIPPECANOE COUNTY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION 2001-49-CL

RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE ADOPTION OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE

**TIPPECANOE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCOME TAX CAPITAL
IMPROVEMENT PLAN**

WHEREAS, authority has been granted by I.C. 6-3.5-7-15 to the Board of Commissioners of the County of Tippecanoe, to adopt a Capital Improvement Plan for the County of Tippecanoe setting forth the uses of the revenues which Tippecanoe County shall receive from the Economic Development Income Tax duly adopted in the year 1989.

WHEREAS, the Tippecanoe County Council shall be involved in the consideration of appropriations and financing mechanisms; including but not limited to, bonds, as to the various projects set forth in the Capital Improvement Plan.

WHEREAS, the Tippecanoe County Council has previously ratified and endorsed prior Economic Development Income Tax Capital Improvement Plans as submitted by the Board of Commissioners in Resolution 90-4-CL dated May 7, 1990; Resolution 90-8-CL dated June 12, 1990; Resolution 91-14-CL dated August 13, 1991, Resolution 94-16-CL dated November 9, 1994, Resolution 96-06-CL adopted on April 9, 1996, Resolution 96-10-CL dated August 13, 1996, Resolution 97-17-CL adopted May 13, 1997 and Resolution 98-5-CL adopted January 13, 1998, Resolution 98-27-CL dated June 12, 1998, Resolution 98-35-CL dated July 29, 1998; and Resolution 98-43-CL dated October 13, 1998; Resolution 98-47-CL dated November 10, 1998; and Resolution 99-16-CL dated March 9, 1999; and Resolution 99-21-CL adopted on April 13, 1999; Resolution 99-20-CL adopted on May 11, 1999; Resolution 99-31-CL adopted on October 12, 1999; Resolution 2000-09-CL adopted on February 8, 2000; Resolution 2000-20-CL adopted on April 11, 2000; and Resolution 2000-26-CL adopted on May 9, 2000; and Resolution 2000-30-CL adopted on June 13, 2000; and Resolution 2001-09-CL adopted on March 13, 2001; and Resolution 2001-16-CL adopted April 10, 2001; and Resolution 2001-33-CL adopted August 14, 2001; and Resolution 2001-42-CL adopted September 10, 2001; and

WHEREAS, the Tippecanoe County Council has had the opportunity to review the amendment to Project Twenty (20) of the Capital Improvement Plan providing \$100,000 of additional funding in 2001 for Construction and Reconstruction of General Drain Improvements: Phase II Stormwater Plan as described in Resolution No. 2001-48-CM adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Tippecanoe on November 7, 2001, and is of the opinion that the amendment providing for the additional funding of said project in the sum of \$100,000.00 in 2001 asset forth therein will be beneficial and cost effective for Tippecanoe County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tippecanoe County Council endorses the amendment to Project Twenty (20) of the Tippecanoe County Economic Development Income Tax Capital Improvement Plan as adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Tippecanoe pursuant to Resolution No. 2001-48-CM, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A, providing additional funding for Construction and Reconstruction of General Drain Improvements: Phase II Stormwater Plan in the sum of \$100,000.00 in 2001.

Presented to the County Council of Tippecanoe County, Indiana, and adopted this 13th day of November, 2001 by the following vote:

VOTE	TIPPECANOE COUNTY COUNCIL
David S. Byers	David S. Byers, President
Connie Basham	Connie Basham, Vice President
Jeffrey Kessler	Jeffrey Kessler
Margaret K. Bell	Margaret K. Bell
Jeffrey A. Kemper	Jeffrey A. Kemper
Ronald L. Fruitt	Ronald L. Fruitt
Kathy Vernon	Kathy Vernon

ATTEST:

Robert A. Plantenga, Auditor

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Councilmember Kessler moved to approve Resolution 2001-49-CL, seconded by Councilmember Basham.

Auditor Plantenga recorded the roll call vote:

Jeffrey Kessler	Yes
David Byers	Yes
Connie Basham	Yes
Margaret Bell	Yes
Jeffrey Kemper	Yes
Kathy Vernon	Yes
Ronald Fruitt	Yes

- The motion to approve Resolution 2001-49-CL passed 7 – 0.

SURVEYOR/DRAINAGE

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS: \$107,189.98: EDIT Fund 15

7,189.98	Drainage Repair & Maintenance
100,000.00	NPDES Phase II Stormwater

SALARY ORDINANCE	Position	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Part-time	Survey Tech	8.00-9.00/hr	

- Councilmember Kemper moved to approve the Additional Appropriations in EDIT Fund 15, seconded by Councilmember Vernon; motion carried.
- Councilmember moved to approve the Salary Ordinance, seconded by Councilmember Vernon; motion carried.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: Director Steve Wettschurack

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION: \$1,500.00

1,500.00	Garage Supplies
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Mr. Wettschurack said there is a balance in the Travel & Training line item but he has claims for a three day conference he attended last week on Bio-terrorism and would like to attend an upcoming conference in Baltimore, Md. on Bio-terrorism. He said he plans to expend most of the remaining funds in the Promotional Materials line item when he orders materials that are distributed to the public. He is holding fuel bills and needs to purchase garage supplies because they maintain their vehicles. He noted he gets a better price on fuel because he buys through the Sheriff's Department.

- Councilmember Fruitt moved to approve \$1,500.00 for Garage Supplies, seconded by Councilmember Kessler; motion carried.

Councilmember Fruitt commented that Emergency Management works cooperatively with other agencies and has especially done so since September 11th.

TCOB/COURTHOUSE

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS: \$40,000.00

15,000.00	Telephone
25,000.00	Electric

- Councilmember Kessler moved to approve the Additional Appropriations, seconded by Councilmember Kemper; motion carried.

COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION 2001-51-CL: Endorses Amendment to Cum Cap Plan for X-ray Machines and Voting Equipment

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TIPPECANOE COUNTY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION 2001-51-CL

**RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE AMENDMENT OF THE
TIPPECANOE COUNTY CUMULATIVE CAPITAL TAX CAPITAL
IMPROVEMENT PLAN**

WHEREAS, authority has been granted to the Board of Commissioners of the County of Tippecanoe to adopt a Cumulative Capital Improvement Plan for the County of Tippecanoe setting forth the uses of the Revenues which Tippecanoe County shall receive from the Cumulative Capital Tax duly adopted in the year 1984.

WHEREAS, the Tippecanoe County Council shall be involved in the consideration of appropriations, financing mechanisms; including but not limited to, bonds, as to the various projects set forth in the Cumulative Capital Improvement Plan.

WHEREAS, the Tippecanoe County Council has had the opportunity to review the various projects as described in the Cumulative Capital Improvement Plan, and are of the opinion that they are beneficial and cost effective for Tippecanoe County.

NOW, THEREFORE, after due consideration, the Tippecanoe County Council hereby endorses the Cumulative Capital Improvement Plan adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Tippecanoe pursuant to Resolution 2001-50-CM, a copy of which is attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof

Adopted and passed this the 13th day of November, 2001.

TIPPECANOE COUNTY COUNCIL

David S. Byers, President

Connie Basham, Vice President

Jeffrey Kessler

Margaret K. Bell

Jeffrey A. Kemper

Kathy Vernon

Ronald L. Fruitt

ATTEST:

Robert Plantenga, Auditor

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ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS: \$434,000.00: Cum Cap Fund 16

54,000.00	Capital Outlay/Sheriff
380,000.00	Capital Outlay/Board of Election & Registration

TRANSFER: \$18,000.00: County General Fund 01

From:	01-34-182500	Workers Comp	18,000.00
To:	01-34-322200	Postage	18,000.00

Registrar Linda Phillips said it is her understanding that a Letter of Intent to purchase election equipment from the chosen vendor will not jeopardize the County’s ability to receive matching funds from the State. They anticipate that the Legislature will approve the matching funds early in their session for counties that wish to purchase new voting equipment. Attorney Luhman said approving the appropriation means the money is available and will not jeopardize the funding from the State. Without a contract, Mrs. Phillips said the vendor will send a demonstration unit and provide a Project Manager and training before the May Primary Election.

Councilmember Kessler inquired if the County can get a lower price from the vendor if we pay cash since there are sufficient Cum Cap Funds to do this. Mrs. Phillips said she believes the vendor has given us the lowest price because it was quoted to the State. Attorney Luhman explained that the Resolution is written for three (3) annual payments because the Commissioners don’t want to commit all the Cum Cap monies to this one project.

The Capital Outlay for the Sheriff is to purchase two (2) X-ray machines. Sheriff Murtaugh explained that the X-ray machine they have is old, but they would like to move it to Mail & Duplicating so incoming packages can be x-rayed.

- Councilmember Kessler moved to approve Resolution 2001-51-CL, seconded by Councilmember Basham.

Auditor Plantenga recorded the vote:

Ronald Fruitt	Yes
Kathy Vernon	Yes
Jeffrey Kemper	Yes
Margaret Bell	Yes
Jeffrey Kessler	Yes
Connie Basham	Yes
David Byers	Yes

- The motion to approve Resolution 2001-51-CL passed 7 – 0.
- Councilmember Kessler moved to approve \$54,000.00 for two X-ray machines and \$380,000.00 for voting equipment from Cum Cap Fund 16, seconded by Councilmember Basham; motion carried.
- Councilmember Kessler moved to approve the Transfer from Workers Comp to Postage, seconded by Councilmember Bell; motion carried.

MITS

<u>TRANSFERS: \$5,500.00</u>			
From:	01-50-327900	Software	2,750.00
	01-50-326200	Hardware Maintenance	2,750.00
To:	01-50-211000	Supplies	5,500.00

- Councilmember Basham moved to approve the Transfers, seconded by Councilmember Fruitt; motion carried.

SUPERIOR COURT III

<u>TRANSFERS: \$5,600.00</u>			
From:	01-51-118200	Fiscal Officer/Quest	4,850.00
	01-51-182100	Social Security	600.00
	01-51-182200	Retirement	150.00
To:	01-51-331300	Institutional Care	5,600.00

- Councilmember Kemper moved to approve the Transfers, seconded by Councilmember Basham; motion carried.

CIRCUIT COURT

<u>TRANSFERS: \$1,875.06</u>			
From:	01-40-182300	Health Insurance	1,875.06
To:	01-40-322000	Law Books	1,809.06
	01-40-211000	Office Supplies	66.00

- Councilmember Kemper moved to approve the Transfers, seconded by Councilmember Fruitt; motion carried.

BOARD OF ELECTION & REGISTRATION

<u>TRANSFERS: \$5,000.00</u>			
From:	01-26-171600	Part-time	5,000.00
To:	01-26-402600	Capital	1,225.00
	01-26-211000	Office Supplies	400.00
	01-26-211100	Election Supplies	1,075.00
	01-26-221000	Printed Forms	2,300.00

- Councilmember Basham moved to approve the Transfers, seconded by Councilmember Kemper; motion carried.

AUDITOR: Plat Book Fund 67

<u>TRANSFER: \$100.00</u>			
From:	67-02-211000	Supplies	100.00
To:	67-02-327700	Copier Lease	100.00

- Councilmember Bell moved to approve the Transfer, seconded by Councilmember Kessler; motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2001-36-CL: Credit Card Authorization

Attorney Luhman presented three (3) versions of this Resolution for the Council’s consideration.

- Version 1 simply authorizes their acceptance at the garage.
- Version 2 authorizes their acceptance, but requires the county to impose a surcharge on credit card users, which appears to be unacceptable to the credit card companies.
- Version 3 authorizes their acceptance, but permits the county to impose a surcharge, if allowed by the credit card companies.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2001-36-CL (Version 1)
AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF CREDIT CARDS
AT TIPPECANOE COUNTY PARKING GARAGE

WHEREAS, Indiana Code 36-1-8-11 allows the Tippecanoe County Council, as the fiscal body of Tippecanoe County, to designate the financial instruments by which payments may be made to the County; and

WHEREAS, the Tippecanoe County Council desires to authorize the use of credit cards for the payment of all sums due Tippecanoe County for hourly use of the Tippecanoe County Parking Garage;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Tippecanoe County Council that: The Tippecanoe County Council hereby authorizes the payment of all sums now or hereafter due the County of Tippecanoe, for hourly use of the Tippecanoe County Parking Garage, to be paid by back card or credit card.

ADOPTED this 13th day of November, 2001.

TIPPECANOE COUNTY COUNCIL

Davis S. Byers, President

Connie Basham, Vice President

Jeffrey Kessler

Margaret K. Bell

Jeffrey A. Kemper

Kathy Vernon

ATTEST:

Ronald L. Fruitt

Robert A. Plantenga, Auditor

RESOLUTION NO. 2001-36-CL (Version 2)

AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF CREDIT CARDS
AT TIPPECANOE COUNTY PARKING GARAGE

WHEREAS, Indiana Code 36-1-8-11 allows the Tippecanoe County Council, as the fiscal body of Tippecanoe County, to designate the financial instruments by which payments may be made to the County; and

WHEREAS, the Tippecanoe County Council desires to authorize the use of credit cards for the payment of all sums due Tippecanoe County for hourly use of the Tippecanoe County Parking Garage;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Tippecanoe County Council that:
The Tippecanoe County Council hereby authorizes the payment of all sums now or hereafter due the County of Tippecanoe, for hourly use of the Tippecanoe County Parking Garage, to be paid by bank card or credit card. However, in accordance with IC 36-2-10-3, if there is a vendor transaction charge or discount fee, whether billed to the county or charged directly to the county’s account, the county shall collect from the person using the card an official fee that may not exceed the highest transaction charge or discount fee charged to the treasurer by bank or credit card vendors during the most recent collection period.

ADOPTED this 13th day of November, 2001.

TIPPECANOE COUNTY COUNCIL

David S. Byers, President

Connie Basham, Vice President

Jeffrey Kessler

Margaret K. Bell

Jeffrey A. Kemper

Kathy Vernon

Ronald L. Fruitt

ATTEST:

Robert Plantenga, Auditor

RESOLUTION NO. 2001-36-CL (Version 3)

**AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF CREDIT CARDS
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(unquote)

- Councilmember Fruitt moved to adopt Version 1 of Resolution 2001-36-CL, seconded by Councilmember Bell.

Councilmember Vernon said if the garage remains open 24 hours, there is a need to allow payment with a credit card for safety reasons, but Councilmember Basham expressed her concern that the County will pay the surcharge using taxpayer dollars. Councilmember Kessler agreed that this would not be fiscally responsible. President Byers said he likes Version 3 because it allows the County to collect from the credit card user, and Councilmember Basham said it doesn’t tie the County’s hands.

- Councilmember Fruitt withdrew his motion and Councilmember Bell withdrew her second.
- Councilmember Basham moved to approve Version 3 of Resolution 2001-36-CL, seconded by Councilmember Vernon.

After Attorney Luhman read the Resolution, Auditor Plantenga recorded the roll call vote:

David Byers	Yes
Connie Basham	Yes
Jeffrey Kessler	No
Margaret Bell	Yes
Jeffrey Kemper	Yes
Kathy Vernon	Yes
Ronald Fruitt	No

- The motion to approve Version 3 of Resolution 2001-36-CL passed 5 – 2.

APPOINTMENT: Wabash Valley Hospital

Councilmember Basham moved to appoint Greg Napier as the Council’s representative on the Wabash Valley Hospital Board, seconded by Councilmember Kessler; motion carried.

JANUARY COUNCIL MEETING DATE

Since encumbrances will not be ready by January 8, 2002, Auditor Plantenga requested delaying the Council’s meeting date until the third Tuesday, January 15, 2002. The Working Session would also be delayed until January 10, 2002. No Councilmembers disagreed with the request.

CLERK’S CHECKING ACCOUNT CHARGE

Councilmember Kessler said Clerk Betty Michael informed him she will be requesting additional funds to pay the monthly bank charge of \$777.60 for the Clerk’s checking account.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Steve Klink, 400 S 7th St., Laf. said he has discussed his opposition to the 24 hour charge for the Parking Garage with the Commissioners. It is his opinion that the downtown economy is fragile and, if customers are stuck in the garage due to a gate malfunction, they won’t come back downtown. Instead of charging 24 hours, he encouraged allowing the validation of parking tickets by area business such as occurs at the City Garage. He said each business makes a minimum payment to the garage.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Commissioners invited the Council to attend the Tuesday, November 27, 2001 session of IACC, Indiana Association of County Commissioners Annual Conference.

The next County Council Working Session will be held at 2:00 P.M., Thursday, December 6, 2001.

Financial Consultant Greg Guerrettaz will meet with the Council and Commissioners at Noon, Tuesday, December 11, 2001. The Regular County Council Meeting will follow at 2:00 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT

- Councilmember Fruitt moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember Vernon; motion carried.

Robert A. Plantenga, Auditor

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